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Memorandum for: Director of Central Intelligence

Subject: Reorganization Plan No. 9 of 1953

1. The purpose of Reorganization Plan No. 9, which will become effective on 31 July 1953, is to reorganize the Council of Economic Advisors in the Executive Office of the President. Under this Plan, the Council will consist of three members, with a greatly strengthened Chairman. The Chairman, rather than the Council as a whole, will be responsible for the administrative functions of the Council, including employing the staff and other necessary consultants. The function of reporting to the President on Council activities is transferred to the Chairman, and the President will deal directly with the Council through the Chairman, rather than dealing with the Council as a whole. The Vice Chairman of the Council is eliminated.

2. In his message to the Congress, the President states:

In order to make the work of the Council of Economic Advisors more effective at the top policy level of the executive branch, I am also asking the heads of several departments and agencies, or the representatives they may designate, to serve as an Advisory Board on Economic Growth and Stability, under the chairmanship of the Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisors. At all times, close liaison must be maintained by the Council with all departments and agencies, and with interdepartmental committees, especially the National Advisory Council on International Monetary and Financial Problems.

It is contemplated that the Advisory Board on Economic Growth and Stability, supported by the existing staffs of the various departments and agencies, will meet frequently, and through its Chairman will keep me closely informed about the state of the national economy and the various measures necessary to aid in maintaining a stable prosperity.

3. The above paragraphs are quoted in view of the fact that the Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisors may find it necessary from time to time to call on CIA for some assistance. A copy of the President's message is attached herewith.

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